

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : John W.L. Ogilvie
Serial No.: _____ (Division of 09/184,206)
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Title: MESSAGE CONTENT PROTECTION AND
CONDITIONAL DISCLOSURE
Parent Examiner: Pierre Eddy Elisca (Art Unit 2161)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Honorable Commissioner of
Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Filed herewith is a divisional application based on commonly owned copending application serial no. 09/184,206 filed November 2, 1998, a true copy of which is filed concurrently. The inventor in this application is the same as in the '206 application.

Before calculating the fees in this divisional, please amend the application:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

In RELATED APPLICATIONS on page 1, please insert the following:

--This application is a division of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/184,206 filed November 2, 1998. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-18 and 54-62 without prejudice; those claims have been allowed in the parent application.

Claims 19-53 are presented here for examination.

Please amend independent claims 19 and 43 as shown below. This amendment is pursuant to an agreement reached during a telephone conference on August 14, 2001